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1. Postwar Czechoslovakia penicillin research was first carried on in a laboratory in Semtin at an explosives factory. [redacted] there were no penicillin plants in Czechoslovakia other than the Rožtoky plant. [redacted] the Rožtoky plant was capable of supplying enough penicillin for the needs of Czechoslovakia. 25X1
2. The Rožtoky penicillin plant occupies entirely new buildings constructed in 1948-49. The buildings are gray brick and concrete, and no wall or fence surrounds the compound. There are many windows in the buildings [See Encl (A)]. The penicillin plant is located on the west bank of the Vltava River between Podbaba and Rožtoky [Point "X", Encl (B)]. About 800 m. from the plant, toward Prague, on the same side of the river, there is a similar building which houses a water filtering station. 25X1
3. Approximately 200 persons are employed in the plant. There is no military guard around the buildings, and civilian police represent the only protection for the compound [redacted]
4. Director of this plant is Dr. Malek, a biologist and convinced Communist. Malik has offices at a biological institute located at Na Cvicisti 2, Praha XIX [Point "M", Encl (C)]. Malek himself was not actively engaged in laboratory or plant work, but his duties were purely administrative.
5. [redacted] in June 1952, the plant was engaged in studying the methods for producing streptomycin, but it has not yet started commercial production of that drug.

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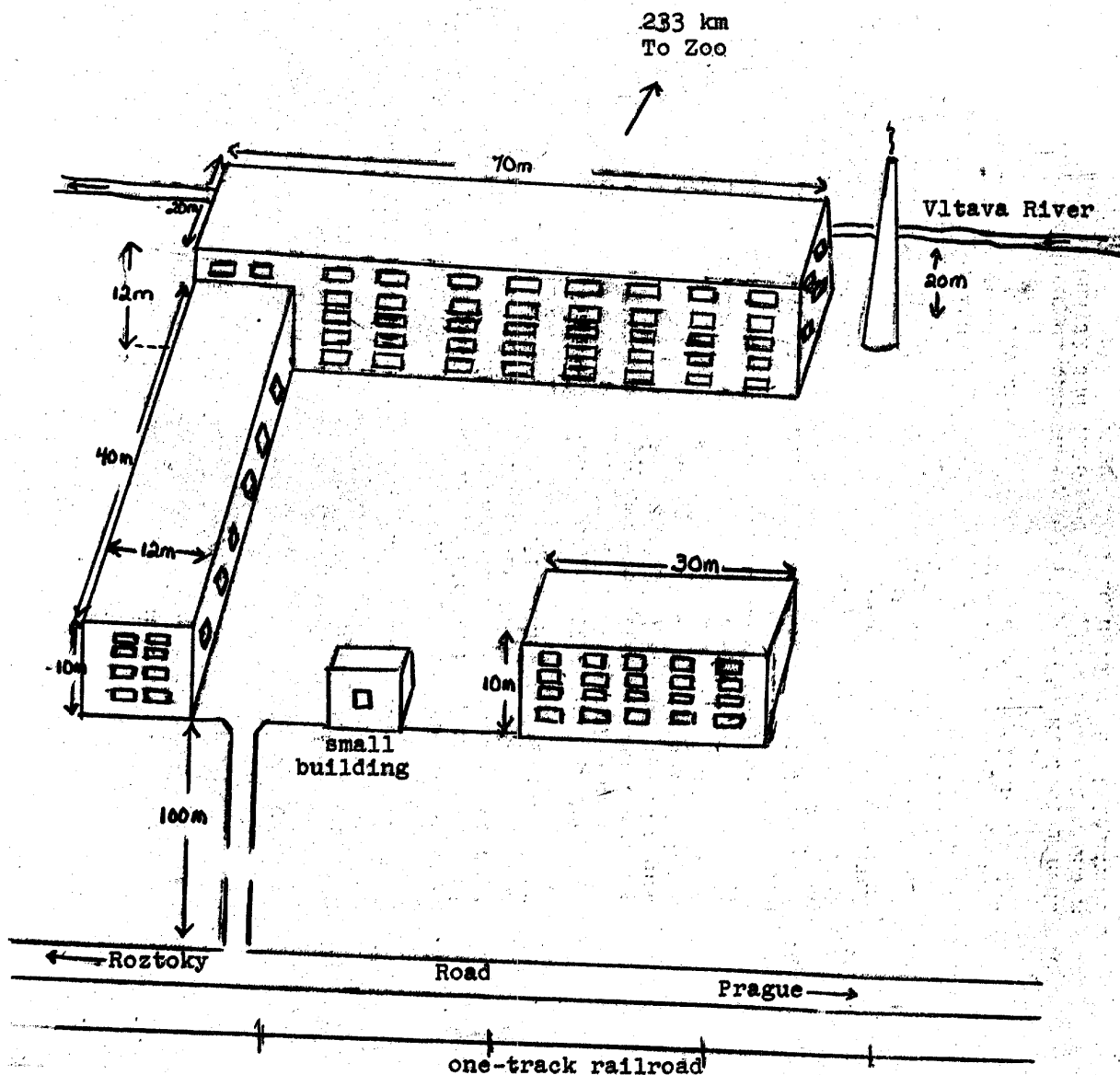
Enclosures: (A) Penicillin Plant near Roztoky  
(B) Environs of Prague  
(C) City Map of Prague

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ENCLOSURE (A)

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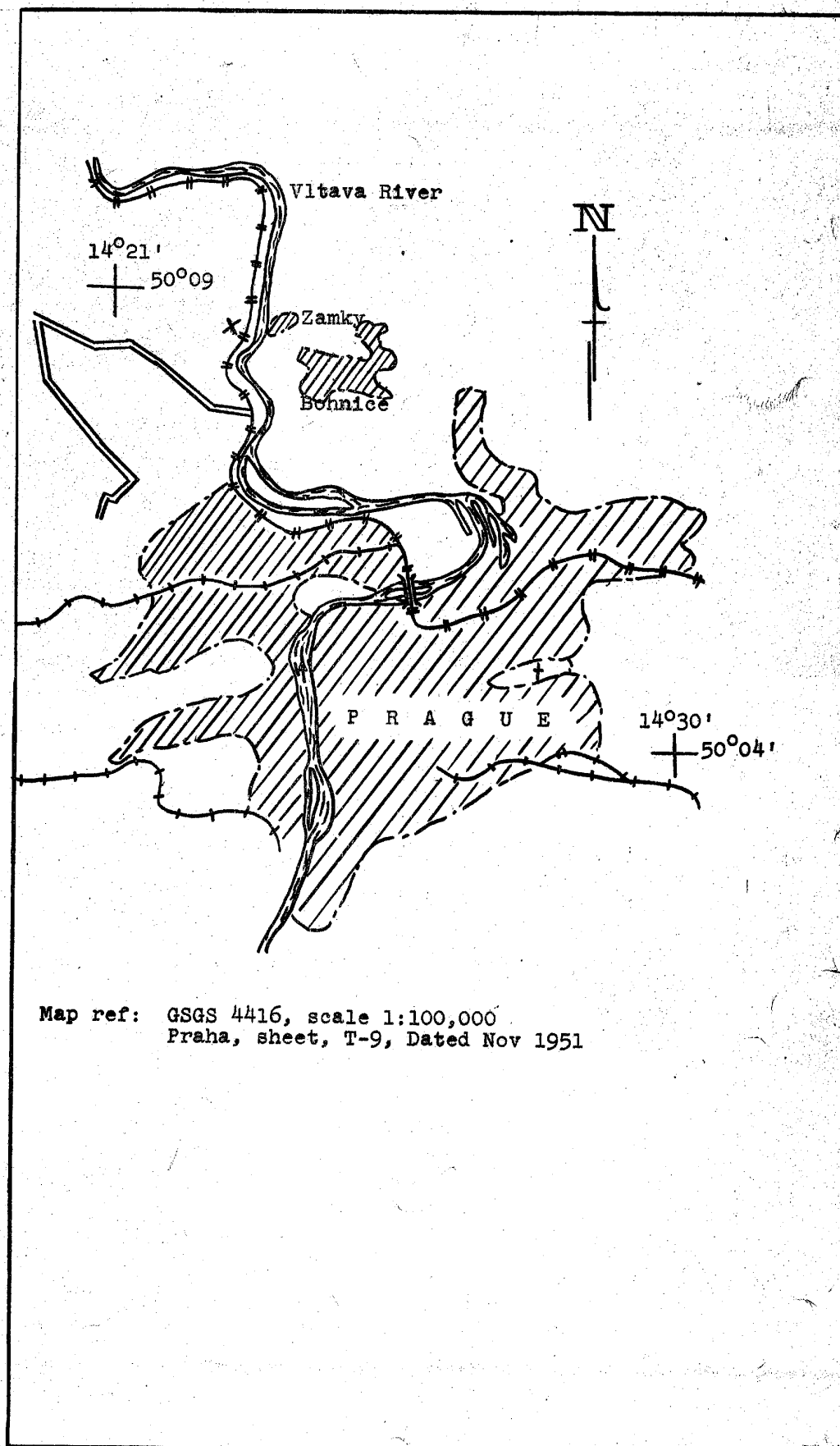


Penicillin Plant Near Roztoky, CSR  
 (from memory sketch; distances and  
 number of windows are approximations)

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ENCLOSURE (B)

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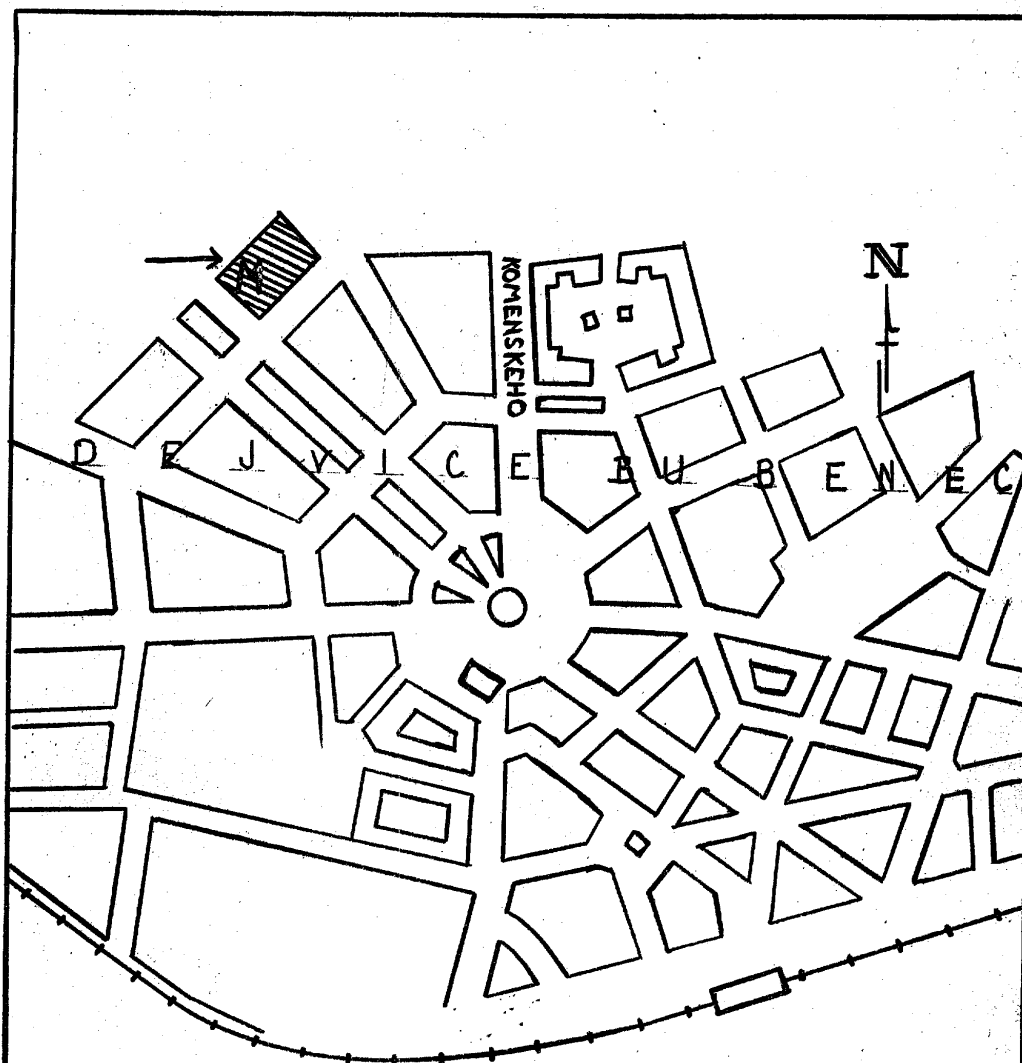


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ENCLOSURE (C)

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Location of Biological Institute

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